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Two Baby Raglan Cardigans using Aotea Baby Soft or Bambino Quickernit Qualities.

THE GARMENTS ILLUSTRATED WERE KNITTED IN AOTEA BAMBINO

	Sizes: 18	20	22
	Ozs:		
Button-to-neck Cardigan	5	6	7
V Neck Cardigan	5	6	7

MATERIALS: Aotea Quickernit. One pair each Nos. 9 and 11 knitting pins. Cable needle Button-to-neck Cardigan only. Buttons: Button-to-neck, 6. V Neck 5.

MEASUREMENTS: To fit sizes 18 (20: 22) inch chest. Length of centre back from below neckband: 10½ (12: 14½) ins. Sleeve seam: 7 (7½: 8½) ins.

TENSION: 6 sts and 8 rows to one square inch over stst on No. 9 pins or any size pins which will give tension stated.

ABBREVIATIONS: K, knit; p, purl; sts, stitches; tog, together; rep, repeat; inc, increase; dec, decrease; beg, begins(ing); cont, continue(s)(ing); rem, remains (ing); ins, inches; alt, alternate; ptn, pattern; fin, finish(es)(ing); fol, follows(ing); meas, measures(ed); tbs, through back of stitches; sl, slip; pssso, pass slip stitch over; wl, wool; stst, stocking stitch (right side k, wrong side p); kw, knitwise; pw, purlwise; m 2, make 2 by bringing wool to front then winding around pin and working the next stitch knitwise; Tw 2 B, twist 2 back thus:—Take right hand pin to back of work and k into the back of the 2nd st on left hand pin, then k into the front of the first st and let both loops fall off left hand pin together; Tw 2 F, twist 2 front thus:—K into the front of the 2nd st on left hand pin, then k into the front of the first st and let both loops fall off left hand pin together; Tw 2 pw, twist 2 purlwise thus:—P into the front of the 2nd st on left hand pin then p into the front of the first st and let both loops fall off left hand pin together; C 4 B, cable 4 back thus:—Slip next 2 sts on to cable needle and leave at back of work, k 2 sts from left hand pin, then k the 2 sts from cable needle; C 4 F, cable 4 front thus:—Slip next 2 sts on to cable needle and leave at front of work, k 2 sts from left hand pin, then k the 2 sts from cable needle; R.S., right side; W.S., wrong side.

IMPORTANT: Please check your tension before starting this garment by knitting a sample at least 2 inches square. If you obtain more stitches per inch than specified, change to larger pins. If less, use smaller pins.

BUTTON TO NECK CARDIGAN

BACK With No. 11 pins cast on 59 (65: 71) sts and work in k 1, p 1 rib (first row having k 1 at each end) for 8 rows, inc one st at each end of the last row. 61 (67: 73) sts.

Change to No. 9 pins and work in stst (first row k) until work meas 6 (7: 9) ins or length desired to beg armhole shaping, fin p.

Shape Raglan Armholes: Cast off 2 (2: 3) sts at beg next 2 rows.

1st row: K 1, sl 1, k 1, pssso, k until 3 sts rem, k 2 tog, k 1.

2nd row: P.

Rep last 2 rows until 21 (23: 23) sts rem. Cast off for back neck.

LEFT FRONT With No. 11 pins cast on 35 (39: 41) sts and work in rib as back band, slipping first st 2nd and alt rows pw, for 4 rows.

Next row: For Boy's garment only work buttonhole thus:—Rib until 7 sts rem, cast off next 3 sts, rib to end.

On the fol row cast on 3 sts over the 3 sts cast off on previous row. Cont in rib as before until 7 rows in all have been worked.

Next row: Rib the first 9 sts and leave these sts on a safety pin for front border, inc into the next st sizes 18 and 22 ins only, (rib 3 sts, inc into the next st) twice, rib to last st, inc into last st. 30 (33: 36) sts.

Change to No. 9 pins and work in ptn as fol:—

1st row: K until 12 sts rem, p 2, k 8, p 2.

2nd row: K 2, p 8, k 2, p to end.

Rep last 2 rows once more.

5th row: K until 12 sts rem, p 2, C 4 B, C 4 F, p 2.

6th row: As 2nd row.

Rep these 6 rows until work meas same as back to beg armhole shaping, fin with a W.S. row.

Shape Raglan Armhole: Cast off 2 (2: 3) sts at beg next row. Work one row without shaping.

Next row: K 1, sl 1, k 1, psso, work to end.

Next row: Work to end.

Rep last 2 rows until 18 (20: 21) sts rem, fin at front edge.

Shape Neck: Cast off 2 sts at beg next row. Cont shaping at armhole edge on alt rows but AT THE SAME TIME dec one st at neck edge on next 4 rows, then from same edge on fol 3 (4: 4) alt rows. Now keeping neck edge straight, cont dec at armhole edge on alt rows until all sts have been worked off.

RIGHT FRONT With No. 11 pins cast on 35 (39: 41) sts and work in rib as back band, slipping first st first and fol alt rows kw, for 4 rows.

Next row: For Girl's garment only work buttonhole thus:—Sl 1 kw, rib 3 sts, cast off next 3 sts, rib to end.

On the fol row cast on 3 sts over the 3 sts cast off on previous row. Cont in rib until 7 rows in all have been worked.

Next row: Inc into the first st, rib until 18 (17: 18) sts rem, (inc into the next st, rib 3) twice, inc into the next st sizes 18 and 22 ins only, leave last 9 sts on a safety pin for front border. 30 (33: 36) sts.

Change to No. 9 pins and work to match completed front, all shapings reversed, working raglan dec on R.S. rows by the k 2 tog, k 1 method.

SLEEVES (both alike): With No. 11 pins cast on 27 (29: 31) sts and work in rib as back band for 7 rows.

Next row: Inc into the first st, rib 8 (9: 10) sts, inc 3 sts evenly across next 9 sts, rib to last st, inc into last st. 32 (34: 36) sts.

Change to No. 9 pins and work in ptn as fol:—

1st row: K 10 (11: 12) sts, p 2, k 8, p 2, k to end.

2nd row: P 10 (11: 12) sts, k 2, p 8, k 2, p to end.

Rep last 2 rows once more.

5th row: K 10 (11: 12) sts, p 2, C 4 B, C 4 F, p 2, k to end.

6th row: As 2nd row.

Rep these 6 rows, inc one st at each end of the next and every fol 6th row until there are 46 (50: 54) sts. Work straight until sleeve meas 7 (7½: 8½) ins or desired length, fin with a W.S. row.

Shape Raglan Top: Keeping continuity of ptn cast off 2 (2: 3) sts at beg next 2 rows.

1st row: K 1, sl 1, k 1, psso, work until 3 sts rem, k 2 tog, k 1. Work 3 rows without shaping, then rep last 4 rows 1 (1: 2) more times.

Next row: As first row.

Next row: Work to end.

Rep last 2 rows until 10 sts rem. Cast off.

FRONT BORDERS **Button Side:** Left front for Girl's garment and right front for Boy's garment. With No. 11 pins pick up the 9 border sts from safety pin. Rejoin wl at inside edge and cont in rib, slipping first st alt rows as before until border meas same as front edge to beg neck shaping, border slightly stretched, fin with a W.S. row. Leave sts on a safety pin. Join to front edge.

Buttonhole Side: First plan the positions of 6 buttons on completed border. Allow for first one to come 5 rows from lower edge and top one to come in centre of neckband, the rem evenly spaced between. Mark with pins. Work as completed border, working buttonholes as before to match pins.

NECKBAND Press sst parts with a cool iron over a dry cloth. Join raglan seams. With No. 11 pins and R.S. facing rib the 9 border sts from safety pin at right front (slipping first st), then pick up and k 63 (67: 71) sts evenly around neck to opposite border, rib the 9 border sts from safety pin. You now have 81 (85: 89) sts. Work in rib as set (slipping first st every row) for 6 rows, working final buttonhole in centre of neckband on correct side to match others. Cast off LOOSELY ribwise.

TO MAKE UP Join side and sleeve seams. Neaten around buttonholes. Press all seams. Sew on buttons.

V NECK CARDIGAN:

BACK With No. 11 pins cast on 90 (98: 106) sts and work in rib as fol:—

1st row: P 2, * k 2, p 2, rep from * to end.

2nd row: K 2, * p 2, k 2, rep from * to end.

Rep these 2 rows until 8 rows in all have been worked, thus fin with a 2nd row.

Change to No. 9 pins and work in ptn as fol:—

1st row: P 2, * Tw 2 B, p 2, rep from * to end.

2nd row: K 2, * p 2, k 2, rep from * to end.

3rd row: P 1, * k 2 tog, m 2, sl 1, k 1, pssso, rep from * to last st, p 1.

4th row: K 1, p 1, * (k 1, k 1 tbs) into the 2 made loops, Tw 2 pw, rep from * until 4 sts rem, k 1, k 1 tbs, p 1, k 1.

5th row: P 1, * Tw 2 B, Tw 2 F, rep from * to last st, p 1.

6th row: As 2nd row.

Rep these 6 rows until work meas 6 (7: 9) ins from beg or length desired to beg armhole shaping, fin with a W.S. row.

Shape Raglan Armholes: Keeping continuity of ptn throughout shaping, cast off 3 (3: 4) sts at beg next 2 rows. Dec one st at each end of the next 4 rows. Now dec one st at each end of the next and every fol alt row until 36 (38: 38) sts rem. Cast off for back neck.

LEFT FRONT With No. 11 pins cast on 42 (46: 50) sts and work in rib as back band for 8 rows.

Change to No. 9 pins and work in ptn as for back until work meas same as back to beg armhole shaping, fin with a W.S. row.

Shape Raglan Armhole and Commence Front Slope: Keeping continuity of ptn throughout, cast off 3 (3: 4) sts at beg next row. Work one row without shaping. Now dec one st at armhole edge on next 4 rows then from same edge on fol R.S. rows, but AT THE SAME TIME dec one st at front edge on next and every fol 3rd row until 14 (15: 15) sts in all have been dec at front edge. Now keeping front edge straight, cont dec at armhole edge on alt rows until all sts have been worked off.

RIGHT FRONT Work to match Left Front, all shapings reversed.

SLEEVES (both alike): With No 11 pins cast on 38 (38: 42) sts and work in rib as back band for 8 rows.

Change to No. 9 pins and work in ptn as back, inc one st at each end of every 3rd row until there are 64 (68: 72) sts, working extra sts into ptn at each side as they become available. Work straight until sleeve meas 7 (7½: 8½) ins or desired length, fin with a W.S. row.

Shape Raglan Top: Keeping continuity of ptn throughout shaping, cast off 3 (3: 4) sts at beg next 2 rows. Dec one st at each end of the next 8 (6: 2) rows. Now dec one st at each end of the next and every fol alt row until 6 sts rem. Cast off.

FRONT AND NECK BORDERS Press ptn parts VERY LIGHTLY with a cool iron over a dry cloth. Join raglan seams.

Button Side: Left front for Girl's garment and right front for Boy's garment. With No. 11 pins cast on 9 sts and work in rib as fol:—

1st row: Sl 1 kw, * p 1, k 1, rep from * to end.

2nd row: Sl 1 pw, * k 1, p 1, rep from * to end.

Rep these 2 rows until border meas same as front and neck edges to centre back neck, border slightly stretched. Cast off. Join to front and neck edges.

Buttonhole Side: First plan the positions of 5 buttons on completed border. Allow for first one to come 5 rows from lower edge and top one to come just below beg of front slope, the rem evenly spaced between. Mark with pins. With No. 11 pins cast on 9 sts and work as completed border, working buttonholes on 5th row and to match pins thus:—

For Girl's Garment Only:

5th row: Sl 1 kw, rib 3 sts, cast off next 3 sts, rib to end.

For Boy's Garment Only:

5th row: Sl 1 kw, rib 1, cast off next 3 sts, rib to end. On the fol row cast on 3 sts over the 3 sts cast off on previous row.

TO MAKE UP As Button-to-neck Cardigan, joining border ends at centre back neck.

